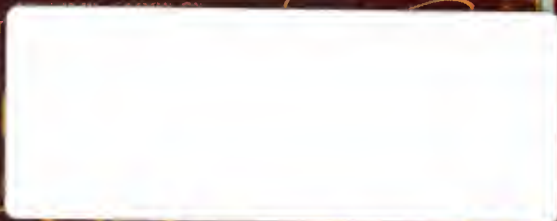




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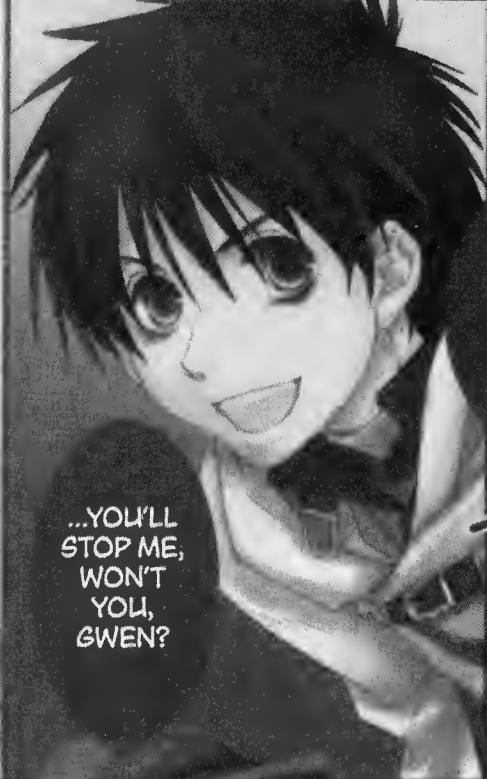
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Kyo Kara MAOH!

Yuri's forced proximity to Gwendal (thanks to the handcuffs) leads to a better understanding between the two. But they are soon separated after their trial for "elopement." Yuri is sent to a labor camp consisting of only women, many of whom had been caught trying to elope with their Mazoku lovers. The injustice towards these women and their children sends Yuri into Maoh Mode and bent on retribution. Who stops Yuri this time from slaughtering cowardly soldiers with sand golems? And what about the Demon Flute? Will Yuri ever be able to play it and bring the rain?

◆ ALSO A HIT ANIME! ◆





ハァニ

IF I...

...MAKE A
HOPELESS-
LY BAD
DECISION...

ハァニ



...YOU'LL
STOP ME,
WON'T
YOU,
GWEN?



YES.

Kyo Kara MAOH!

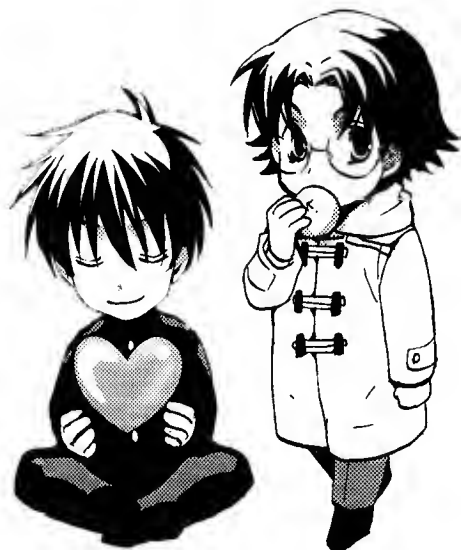
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HERE
WITH
ME...

...BUT
EVEN
SO...

...I HAVE A
TUTOR, A
GUARDIAN,
A BODY-
GUARD...

...HOW'D
YOU COME
UP WITH
TWEED-
EED-EE.

...YET
ANOTHER
LINEX-
PECTED
FIANCE...

...AND
A TRUE
MAZOKU
WHO
LOVES HIS
COUNTRY
MOST OF
ALL...

FOSTERED?
YOU MEAN
YOU HAVE
A KID?!

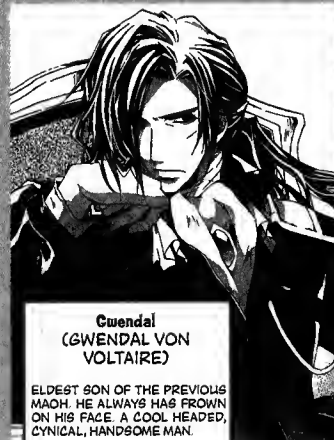
THAT IS THE
NAME OF
A BABY I
RECENTLY
SENT OUT
TO BE
FOSTERED.

...WHO'S
LOOKING
OUT FOR
ME SO I
DON'T MAKE
MISTAKES.

NO.

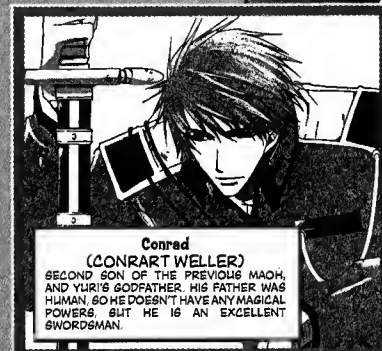
IT'S A
BUNNY-
CHAN.

OH, I
SEE. A
RABBIT
EH?



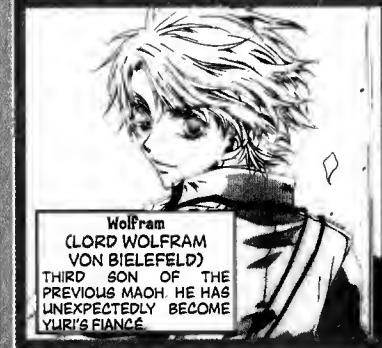
Cuendal
(GWENDAL VON
VOLTIRE)

ELDEST SON OF THE PREVIOUS
MAOH. HE ALWAYS HAS FROWN
ON HIS FACE. A COOL HEADED,
CYNICAL, HANDSOME MAN.



Conrad
(CONRART WELLER)

SECOND SON OF THE PREVIOUS MAOH.
AND YURI'S GODFATHER. HIS FATHER WAS
HUMAN, SO HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY MAGICAL
POWERS, BUT HE IS AN EXCELLENT
SWORDSMAN.



Wolfram
(LORD WOLFRAM
VON BIELEFELD)

THIRD SON OF THE
PREVIOUS MAOH. HE HAS
LINEXPECTEDLY BECOME
YURI'S FIANCE.



Yuri (Yuri Shibuya)

A TYPICAL BASEBALL-LOVING TEENAGER...
OR HE USED TO BE. WARPED TO ANOTHER
WORLD THROUGH A TOILET, HE'S NOW THE
27TH MAOH.

I, YURI SHIBUYA, AM IN THE MIDDLE OF MY
THIRD TRIP TO SHINMAKOKU. THIS TIME IT
SEEMS THAT SOMEONE WHO LOOKS EXACTLY
LIKE ME IS RUNNING AROUND THE HUMAN LAND
OF SVELERA WITH THE DEMON FLUTE MATEKI,
A TREASURE OF THE MAZOKU. I CALLED IT
'OPERATION: RESCUE YURI SHIBUYA'S LOOK-
ALIKE' AND WITH THE THREE BROTHERS, I
HEADED FOR SVELERA. HOWEVER, ALONG THE
WAY, WE WERE ATTACKED BY A SANDBEAR AND
I WAS SEPARATED FROM THE TWO YOUNGER
BROTHERS. SOMEHOW, THE AUTHORITIES
THOUGHT THAT I HAD ELOPED WITH GWENDAL,
WHOSE TRADEMARK IS THE FROWN ON HIS
FACE, AND SENT US TO PRISON.

Story Synopsis & Character
Introduction

Kyo Kara Maoh!



GWENDAL,
YOU DON'T
LOOK SO
GOOD, YOU
KNOW?!

SO THIS
IS WHERE
ELOPERS
ARE
TRIED?



...EVERY-
WHERE.

...IS
ABUN-
DANT...

THE
STINK OF
SORCERY...



SORCERY...



GET
OUT.

...DID
YOU JUST
SAY BUNNY-
CHAN?!

With that serious face?

DOES HE
BREED
RABBITS
OR
SOME-
THING?

LIKE...



FAMILY
COURT.

WHAT
IS THIS
PLACE?

HAD YOU KNOWN
BEFOREHAND THAT
YOU WOULD SUFFER
SO, YOU WOULDN'T
HAVE CONSIDERED
SUCH A PARTNER
NOW, WOULD YOU?

...AND
...MY THUS...
RULING
REGARDING
THE BOTH
OF YOU...

...I'D BETTER
DO WHAT
HE SAYS
IMMEDIA-
TELY, OR--

...SHALL
BE INNO-
CENT, IF YOU
DECIDE TO
CUT YOUR
TIES RIGHT
HERE AND
NOW.

REALLY!

...Y-
YES!

WELL
THEN...

...SHALL WE
HEAR THE
EXTENT
OF YOUR
RESOLVE?

I REGRET
HAVING
BEEN SO
THOUGHTLESS!!

ENTER.

FOR
MAZOKU
WITH
DEMON
POWER...

**...HUMAN
SORCERY
IS POISON.**

ENTER.

GLOW...

YOU ARE
ELOPERS,
CORRECT?

IT IS NOT
IN THE
WARRANT,
HOWEVER

TWEEDLE-
DEE...

TWEEDLE-
DUM...

AND THIS
IS THE
RESULT.

...BUT
TO DO THE
BEST I CAN
IN MY OWN
WAY...

I HAVE NO
CHOICE...

THAT'S
RIGHT.
SOME-
ONE...

HE ALWAYS
NOTICES...

...WHEN I
FALL OFF
A HORSE
AND--

SORRY.

I WAS
STUPID.

...ALWAYS
RESCUES
ME.

.....

DEFINI-
TELY.

THAT
IS NOT
NECES-
SARILY
TRUE.

AFTER ALL,
FROM THE
FIRST TIME
WE MET, HE
DISLIKED ME
AND LOOKED
DOWN ON ME.

HE
CALLED
ME "IT"
AND
TREATED
ME LIKE
A BABY!

WE WERE
MISMATCHED
FROM THE
START, YOU
KNOW!!

WE HAVE A
PERSONA-
LITY
CONFLICT!

...HE
TOLD ME
TO GO BACK
BECAUSE
I WAS A
BURDEN
TO HIM.

PLUS,
WHEN I
TRIED TO
GO WITH
HIM...

THERE'S
ALWAYS
AN EDGE
TO HIS
WORDS,
RIGHT?

THAT'S
TRUE.

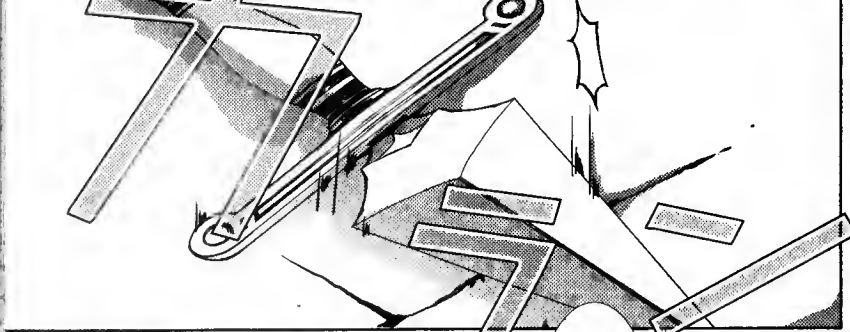
YEAH,
AND IF
I HAD
TURNED
BACK...

...THEN
NONE OF THIS
WOULD HAVE
HAPPENED
AND WE
MIGHT HAVE
RECOVERED
THE MATEKI
SAFELY.

...LIKE
GWEN TOLD
ME TO...

...AND IT'S
NO FUN
BEING WITH
SOMEONE
LIKE HIM
ANYWAY.

WE DON'T
EVEN HAVE
DECENT
CONVER-
SATIONS
...



TAKE IT.

TAKE THAT...

...AND ONE OF YOU, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO, STAB THE OTHER ONE.



I THINK...

...YOU ARE NOT SUCH A BAD KING.

WHY DID...

...I THINK HE DIDN'T LIKE ME?



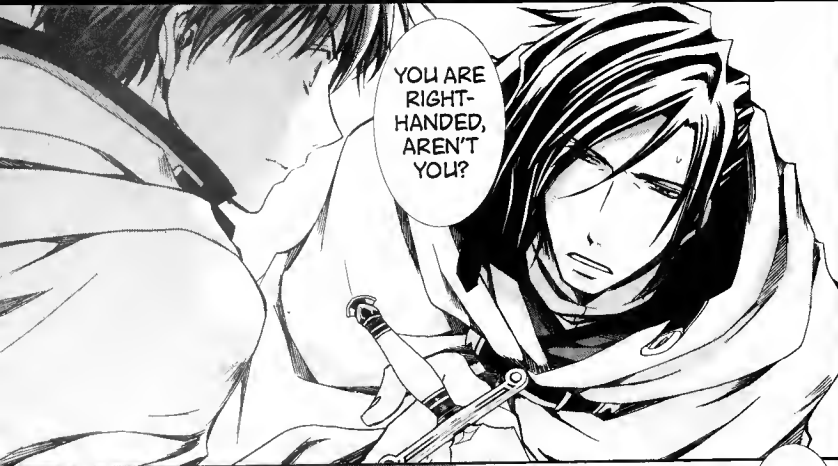
HMM...

I STILL CANNOT BE CERTAIN...

IT IS MY VIEW THAT...

...YOU STILL CARE FOR EACH OTHER.

HERE.



YOU ARE
RIGHT-
HANDED,
AREN'T
YOU?



NOW
...

...HURRY
UP AND
GET IT
OVER
WITH.



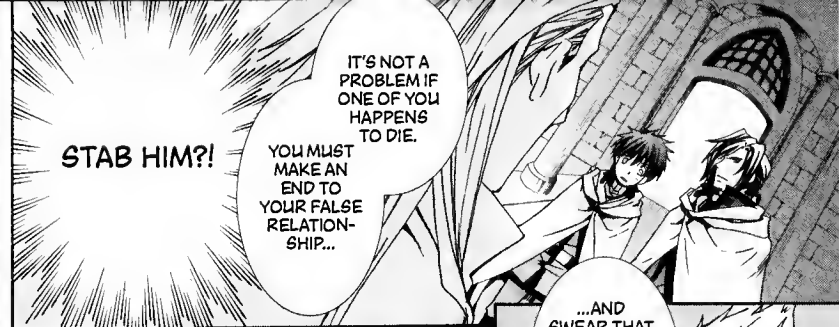
THAT'S
RIGHT,
BUT...

THAT'S...
I...



I AM NOT
ASKING
YOU TO
KILL ME.

BUT IT
WILL
MAKE
THINGS
EASIER
FOR BOTH
OF US.



STAB HIM?!

IT'S NOT A
PROBLEM IF
ONE OF YOU
HAPPENS TO
DIE.

YOU MUST
MAKE AN
END TO
YOUR FALSE
RELATION-
SHIP...



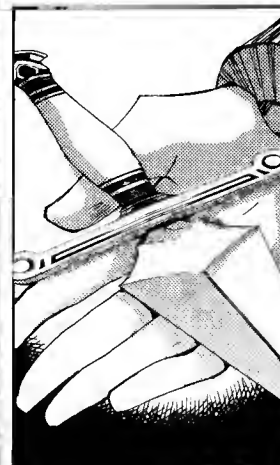
WELL, YEAH,
I WANT THEM
OFF, BUT--

...?
?



...AND
SWEAR THAT
YOU WILL
NOT STRAY
FROM THE
RIGHTEOUS
PATH AGAIN.

YOU WANT
THOSE CHAINS
REMOVED,
DON'T YOU?



GWEN?



RIGHT.
SAME
HERE.

STABBING
EACH OTHER IS
NO PROOF OF
BREAKING UP!
THIS ISN'T EDO
ERA ADULTERY,
YOU KNOW!!

BE-
SIDES...

...NO.

WITH THIS DIRTY WEAPON---



I DON'T LIKE
HAVING A
STRANGER
LIKE YOU
BOSSING US
AROUND IN
OUR OWN
ARGUMENT!

BREAK
UP THIS,
HATE EACH
OTHER
THAT!



THAT'S
RIGHT.

WHAT'S
WRONG?

THIS ISN'T
THE FIRST
TIME YOU'VE
HELD A SWORD,
CORRECT?



...BUT IT
WAS ALWAYS
BECAUSE
I HAD TO
DESPERATELY
DEFEND
MYSELF AND--

...THERE
WAS
ALWAYS A
REASON.

THIS IS
WEIRD,
ISN'T IT?

I HAVE
TAKEN UP
A SWORD
BEFORE...



BUT I'M NOT
EVEN MAD
AT YOU!
JUST WHEN
I THOUGHT
I FINALLY
UNDERSTOOD
YOU A LITTLE--

COULD
YOU STAB
ME?!



**GUARDS,
SEIZE
THEM!**



HE
SAID THEY
CANNOT BE
REMOVED.



THEN, I'LL
HAVE YOU
BE THE
UMPIRE.

THE
CATCHER
AND CHIEF
UMPIRE ARE
ALWAYS
TOGETHER,
YOU
KNOW.



I UNDER-
STAND
HOW YOU
FEEL.



THE
PEANUT
GALLERY
OUGHT TO
SHUT THE
HELL UP!!



...
NOW
...

LET'S GO,
GWEN.



WAIT!!

**YOU
CANNOT
GET THOSE
HANDCUFFS
REMOVED
ELSEWHERE,
YOU KNOW!**





EVEN WITHOUT
RELYING ON
SPELLS AND
MAGIC, MY LORD
BROTHER IS
MORE THAN A
RESPECTABLE
WARRIOR.

BUT TO BE
HONEST... IN
A PLACE THIS
INHOSPITABLE
TO MAZOKU,
PROBABLY THE
ONLY PEOPLE
WHO COULD
USE MAGIC
FREELY ARE...

...WILL
GWENDAL
BE ABLE
TO USE HIS
POWERS?

IN A
COUNTRY
WHERE
THERE IS
THIS MUCH
SORCERY...

...OUR
LADY MO-
THER...

...AND

SUSANNAH
JULIA.

THEY'RE
THE ONLY
ONES I CAN
THINK OF.

WELL,
THAT IS
SERIOUS.



I DON'T
HAVE A
SMIDGEN OF
MAGIC SO I
WOULDN'T
KNOW...

AND
THERE
ARE SO
MANY
SORCER-
ERS.

I DON'T
FEEL
GOOD.
THIS CITY
IS BRIM-
MING WITH
ITEMS THAT
WORK BY
SORCERY...

I'D
HEARD
THAT
SINCE THE
CLIMATE
CHANGED
HERE...
...THE
ONLY THING
KEEPING THIS
COUNTRY'S
ECONOMY
AFLOAT ARE
GEMSTONES
THAT CAN ONLY
BE MINED BY
WOMEN AND
CHILDREN.

SHUT
UP.

...BUT IF
YOU'RE NOT
FEELING
WELL, SHALL
WE REST AT
AN INN?

BUT I
NEVER
IMAGI-
NED...
...A PLACE
WHERE YOU
COULDN'T
FIND YOUNG
WOMEN, EVEN
IN BROTHELS.



YURI?



?
WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT,
CONRAD?



I'M
SORR--

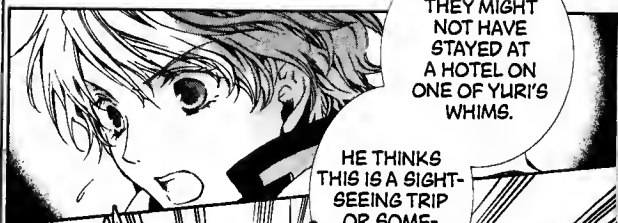


OH!



THEY SAID TO
MEET THEM AT
THE CAPITAL
SO THEY HAVE
TO BE WAITING
FOR US.

IT WOULD
BE GOOD IF
AT LEAST
ONE PERSON
FROM OUR
UNIT COULD
CONTACT HIS
MAJESTY.



THEY MIGHT
NOT HAVE
STAYED AT
A HOTEL ON
ONE OF YURI'S
WHIMS.

HE THINKS
THIS IS A SIGHT-
SEEING TRIP
OR SOME-
THING AND--



...THE YOUNGER BROTHER WHOSE OLDER BROTHER STOLE HIS FIANCE'!

SO THAT MEANS, UMM...
...YOU MUST BE...

WAIT!
DO YOU KNOW YURI?

THEY DON'T LOOK ANYTHING ALIKE. YURI HAS FAR MORE POLISH AND CLASS.

...YOU'RE MAZOKU, AREN'T YOU?

AFTER ALL, YOU BOTH HAVE REALLY PRETTY FACES.

WHAT?!

C--
CALM DOWN, WOLF. IT'S JUST A BIT OF A MISUNDERSTANDING...

UH...
NO.

MY LORD BROTHER WOULDN'T DO THAT, HE COULDN'T... OR... AFTER ALL... THAT FLIRT!

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS, CONRAD?!

WHAT?!

...MY FIANCE'.

ARE YOU GUYS YURI'S FRIENDS?
KNOW HIM? WE--

YURI IS...

At the Mines...



I'M SORRY
TO TELL YOU
THIS, BUT
WHEN I MET
THE TWO OF
THEM, THEY
WERE ON
THE RUN.

IT'S NOT A
MISUNDER-
STANDING.



THEY
WERE STUCK
TOGETHER WITH
HANDCUFFS
AND COULDN'T
SEPARATE.



**DID
YOU SAY
HAND-
CLIFFS?!**





...REALLY
GOT ALONG
WITH EACH
OTHER.

NOT AT
ALL.
YURI AND
THAT OTHER
GUY -- HUBE'S
COUSIN...



STILL,
YOU MUST
SAVE THEM
SOMEHOW.

I BARELY
MANAGED TO
GET AWAY
MYSELF.

H M M.

IF
THEY DON'T
SWEAR TO
OFFICIALLY
BREAK UP...

...ELO-
PERS...



YES.

THEN
YOU
KNOW
HIS--
...YURI'S
WHERE-
ABOUTS,
CORRECT?



YOU'RE
TELLING
ME THAT
YURI AND
MY LORD
BROTHER...

...ARE
STUCK
TOGETHER
WITH HAND-
CLIFFS?!



SO THEY
WEREN'T
JUST TRYING
TO GET OUT
OF A STICKY
SITUATION OR
SOMETHING?

Ouch...



THEY'VE
EVEN
GOT FALSE
NAMES THAT
REALLY SUIT
THEM...

...AND IT
LOOKED LIKE
THEY WERE
GOING TO
LIVE HAPPILY
EVER AFTER!



YES, BUT
PLEASE
DON'T BE
ANGRY AT
THEM.



EVERY-
BODY
BACK
OFF!!

IT'S
ALMOST
DAYBREAK!
THE KID
HAS TO
GET AT
LEAST
A LITTLE
REST!

...THIS
CHILD,
TOO...

BUT
SINCE
YOU'VE
BEEN SENT
TO THE
GATHERING
PLACE, THAT
MEANS...

OH, YOU
REALLY
ARE A
BOY.

POOR
THING...
ARE YOU
ALL RIGHT?

WHERE
AM I?

...Ummm
...

...WHERE THEY
DUMP THE
WOMEN WHO
HAVE TURNED
AGAINST THEIR
GOD AND
COUNTRY.

EVEN CRIMINALS
ARE USEFUL IN
MINING GEM-
STONES, YOU
KNOW, OR SO
THEY SAY.

THIS
IS...

WHERE
AM I?



...ARE
SENT TO THE
GATHERING
PLACE.

CAN'T HELP
IT, EH? HIS
LOVER WAS
A GUY, SO...

THAT KIND
OF THING
HAS BEEN
HAPPENING
LATELY IN THE
CAPITOL.

IT'S
THE END
OF THE
WORLD,
EH?

WHY'D
THEY SEND
HIM HERE?
HE'S NOT
EVEN A
GIRL.

MEN CAN'T
MINE THE
GEMSTONES,
RIGHT?

THEY WERE GOING TO ESCAPE TO A NEIGHBORING COUNTRY BUT THE MAN BETRAYED HER.

...HAD AN AFFAIR WITH HER MARRIED BOSS.

THEY WERE BOTH INVOLVED, SHOULDN'T THEY BOTH BE PUNISHED?

WHAT?

HE'S PROBABLY LIVING COMFORTABLY IN TOWN RIGHT NOW.

...HE HELD OUT AND DIDN'T SAY HE'D BREAK UP WITH YOU?

TIME...

SO IT SEEMS.

I HEARD YOUR LOVER WAS SENT TO PRISON?

THEY CLAIM THAT THE WOMAN TRICKED HIM INTO IT, SO SHE WAS IN THE WRONG. YOU WISH.

IF THE GUY CLAIMS HE WAS TRICKED, THEN HE GETS OFF SCOT-FREE.

THAT GIRL...

YOU ELOPED?

...GOT MISTAKEN FOR AN ELOPER.

I KIND OF...

AND WHY ARE YOU, A BOY, IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

THEN YOU'RE JUST LIKE MALTA, WHO'S SLEEPING OVER THERE.



WHAT'S
GOING ON
WITH THIS
COUNTRY?

WHAT
AM I
DOING IN
A PLACE
LIKE
THIS?

BUT...

YOU!
OVER
THERE!
DON'T
SLACK
OFF!

E E K !



I'M...

TWEEDLE-
DEE?

WHAT'S
YOUR
NAME?

...HE
REALLY
LOVES
YOU.

LUCKY
...LUCKY

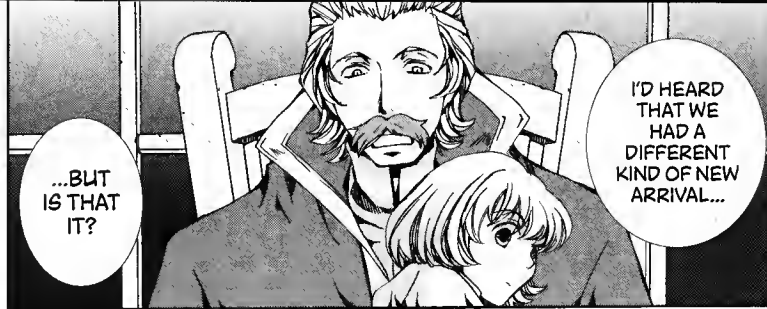


...NORIKA.

THIS
IS...



...
NOTHING
LIKE A
REHAB-
LITATION
CENTER.
IT'S
FORCED
LABOR
IN A
PRISON
CAMP.



...BUT
IS THAT
IT?

I'D HEARD
THAT WE
HAD A
DIFFERENT
KIND OF NEW
ARRIVAL....



I
WANT TO
PLAAY!

NERO,
WOULD
YOU LIKE
TO PLAY
WITH THAT?

IT IS.

MY LORD
FATHER
IS GREAT,
YOU
KNOW.

GO
AHEAD
AND
PLAY.

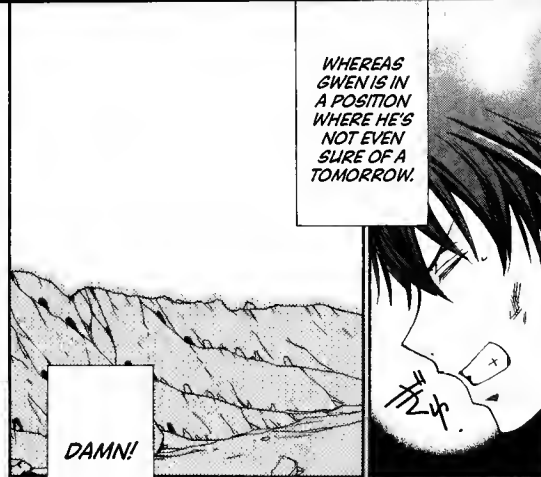
REALLY?!

SO HE'S A
SPOILED
BRAT, EH?

MY LORD
FATHER
MINES THE
WORLD'S BEST
GEMSTONES
FROM THIS
PLACE.



YAY!



WHEREAS
GWEN IS IN
A POSITION
WHERE HE'S
NOT EVEN
SURE OF A
TOMORROW.

DAMN!

...IN A
COWARDLY
CORNER OF
MY HEART...

...I STILL BE-
LIEVE THAT
SOMEONE
WILL COME
SAVE ME...



HEY.

YOU
OVER
THERE, LORD
DOGURIKORU
WANTS YOU.





AFTER ALL,
THAT'S
THE BABY
GRAVEYARD.

NOPE.



...THEY'RE
BURYING
A BABY.

THAT'S
WHAT THE
GRAVEYARD'S
FOR.



I SAID...

WHAT
DID YOU
SAY?

A BABY?!

THE
TRUTH
IS...



HORSEY!!

I GET IT.
WHAT
DO YOU
WANT TO
PLAY?

**LET'S
PLAY!**

UHH...

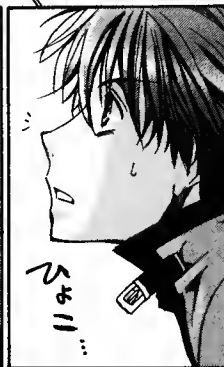


**TURN
INTO A
HORSEY!**

OKAY,
OKAY...



WHAT'S
THAT? ARE
THEY BURYING
A TIME
CAPSULE OR
SOMETHING?





SAY
WHAT?

TRY...

SAY WHAT
I JUST
SAID TO
MY LADY
MOTHER?

...SAYING
THAT TO
YOUR MOM
SOMETIME.



IF NO ONE
WILL TEACH
YOU THAT
IT'S WRONG
THEN...

THAT'S
RIGHT.
IF YOUR
MOM
AGREES
THAT IT'S
TRUE, THEN
TRY ASKING
YOUR
COOKS AND
TEACHERS.



BECAUSE...

BUT WHY
ARE THERE
BABIES IN
A PLACE
LIKE THIS?

...BUT MY
LORD FATHER
IS GREAT AND
COMPASSION-
ATE SO HE
BURIES THEM
WHEN THEY DIE,
YOU KNOW?

...THEY'RE
ALL THE
WRONG KIND
OF WOMEN,
SO THEIR
BABIES
DON'T EVEN
DESERVE
GRAVES...



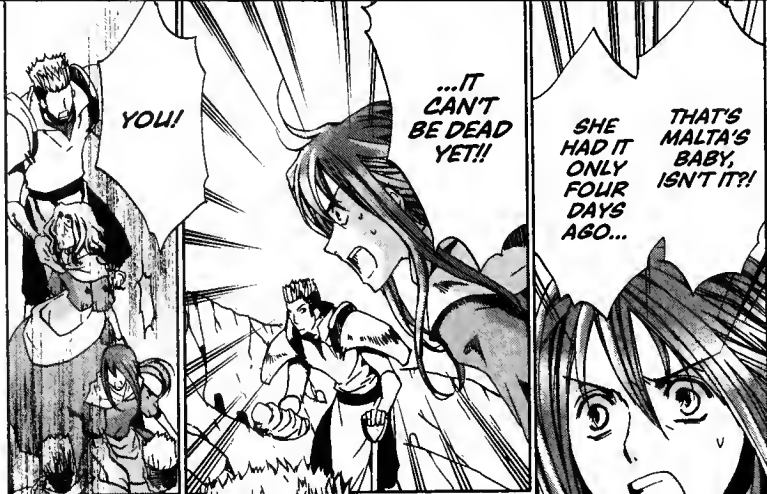
...THE
WOMEN
GIVE
BIRTH TO
THEM.



...WHO
TRICK MEN
GIVE BIRTH
TO CHILD-
REN...

...WHO AREN'T
NEEDED, SO
THEY DIE SOON.
THAT'S WHAT
THEY SAY.

THE BAD
WOMEN...



YOU!

...IT
CAN'T
BE DEAD
YET!!

SHE
HAD IT
ONLY
FOUR
DAYS
AGO...

THAT'S
MALTA'S
BABY,
ISN'T IT?!



IT'S
DEAD.

...WE
WOULDN'T
BURY IT
IF IT WAS
ALIVE.



STOP!



...BEFORE
YOU START
TALKING
ABOUT "BAD"
WOMEN!!



WRIGGLE



WAIT A
MINUTE!!

AT LEAST
WAIT UNTIL
YOU'VE
BEEN
REJECTED
BY YOUR
FIRST
LOVE...

...I'LL TEACH
YOU! THAT
WAY OF
THINKING
IS CRAZY!!



NO! I WON'T SHUT UP!

...THERE'S NO TURNING BACK NOW.

...IF I'VE COME THIS FAR...

SHUT UP, YOU!

WHAT'S WITH THE NEW ARRIVAL? HE A PREACHER?

...WHY DO YOU SAY THE WOMAN'S ALWAYS AT FAULT?!

JUST BECAUSE PEOPLE HAVE AN ILLICIT RELATIONSHIP...

IN THE FIRST PLACE...

GIVE ME STOP!! MY BACK MY BABY'S ALIVE!!

MEN AND WOMEN ARE EQUAL! THAT MEANS--

Humph.



ONE TIME, MY DAD AND I WERE WATCHING A MOVIE WHERE ONE GUY FIGHTS TERRORISTS BY HIMSELF.

CONRAD ISN'T HERE.

WHAT'S WRONG?

SHE SAYS HER CHILD IS STILL ALIVE AND WANTS IT BACK.

...NEITHER IS GLINTER, OR ANY OF MY OTHER ALLIES.

MY DAD SAID...

...BEING ALONE, ISN'T IT?

AFTER ALL, IT'S HARD...

ALIVE OR DEAD, IT'S ALL THE SAME, RIGHT?

IT'S HARD BEING ALONE BUT...

...AREN'T THE SAME, AT ALL.

ALIVE AND DEAD...



WHAT
AWFUL
BRUISES!

THIS
IS--

WHAT
DID
YOU
DO...
...TO THIS
BABY?
WHAT--

WHAT
DID YOU...

WHAT
DID YOU
DO...



1/5/6
.....

TH--

THE
BABY'S
STILL...

...WARM!

DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE ME.

IF IT'S GETTING TO BE TOO MUCH, WE SHOULD HURRY AND--

WOLF, HOW ARE YOU DOING WITH THE EFFECTS OF THE SORCERY?

PRETTY SECURE FOR A CAMP FULL OF WOMEN, ISN'T IT?

IF YOU INCLUDE THE GATES ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE, THAT'S OVER 200 GUARDS.

I'M MORE THAN ABLE TO FIGHT!

THAT'S GREAT...

...BUT, WOLF...

...YOU'RE LEANING ON A CACTUS, YOU KNOW.

W H O O A A !

I THOUGHT YOU KNEW.

Heh
heh...

YOU GOTTA TELL ME THOSE THINGS SOONER, CONRAD!!

You

...

THIS IS THE FATE YOU OFFER...

...TO WOMEN AND CHILDREN?!



WELL,
THAT
IS...

...I'VE BEEN
A FAN OF HIS
SINCE BEFORE
HE WAS BORN,
YOU KNOW.

OH, HIS
MAJESTY'S
PERSONA-
LITY?

...YOU
THINK YOU
UNDER-
STAND HIM
SO WELL,
HUH?

Humph.

NICOLA
GAVE US
GOOD
INFOR-
MATION,
DIDN'T
SHE?

BUT!

...YOU
WOULD
HAVE BEEN
THE LORD
OF WINGCOTT
CASTLE!!

THAT WOMAN
IS GEGEN-
HUBER'S LOVER,
YOU KNOW?!!
IF IT WASN'T
FOR HIM...



I'M NOT
GOING TO
WORRY
ABOUT
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT
RIGHT NOW!

GOOD. YOU
SHOULDN'T



DON'T PLAY
DUMB. YOU
KNOW, THAT
THING ABOUT
HIS MAJESTY
AND GWEN.

W
H
A
T
?

DOES
IT STILL
BOTHER
YOU?



SO...

THAT'S
WHY I'M NOT
WORRIED OR
ANYTHING!

...AND
YOU SHOULD
HAVE A LITTLE
MORE FAITH IN
HIS MAJESTY.

THOSE
TWO
DON'T
GET
ALONG...



...YOU
KNOW THAT
NOTHING
WILL HAPPEN
SINCE IT'S
HIS MAJESTY,
RIGHT?

FINE...

...BUT IF
YOUR
THOUGHTS
DO TURN
THAT
WAY...



BESIDES, IF
HUBE DIDN'T
DO WHAT
HE DID...

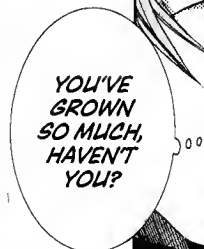
...SHE
AND I
WOULD--



THAT'S
IN THE
PAST.
ALONG
WITH
EVERY-
THING
ELSE.



WOLF-
RAM...



YOU'VE
GROWN
SO MUCH,
HAVEN'T
YOU?



IT'S NOT
THAT
IMPOR-
TANT.



THEN,
WHAT
ABOUT
JULIA?
SHE
LOST
HER
LIFE!
ARE YOU
SAYING
THAT
ISN'T
IMPOR-
TANT
EITHER?!



THAT'S
WHY
YOU'RE
GOING
TO LET
HIS WIFE
IN OUR
COUNTRY?

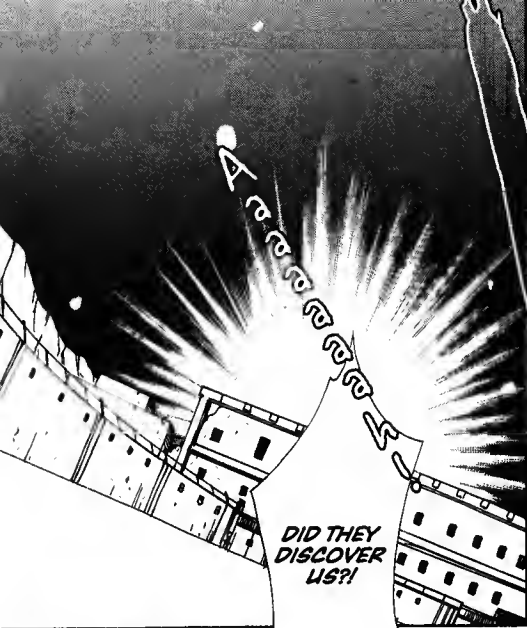
DON'T
CHANGE
THE
SUBJECT!!
YOU'RE
GOING TO
FORGIVE
HUBE'S
CRIMES?

ISN'T THAT
BASICALLY
LIKE WHAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU?

STILL, IT'S
STRANGE

...THAT HE
FELL IN LOVE
WITH NICOLA.

THAT'S
NOT IT.



DID THEY
DISCOVER
US?!



NO...

...THIS
IS--



WE'LL PUT
ASIDE THE
FACT THAT IT'S
DISHEARTENING
FOR THE THREE
OF US...

?!
?

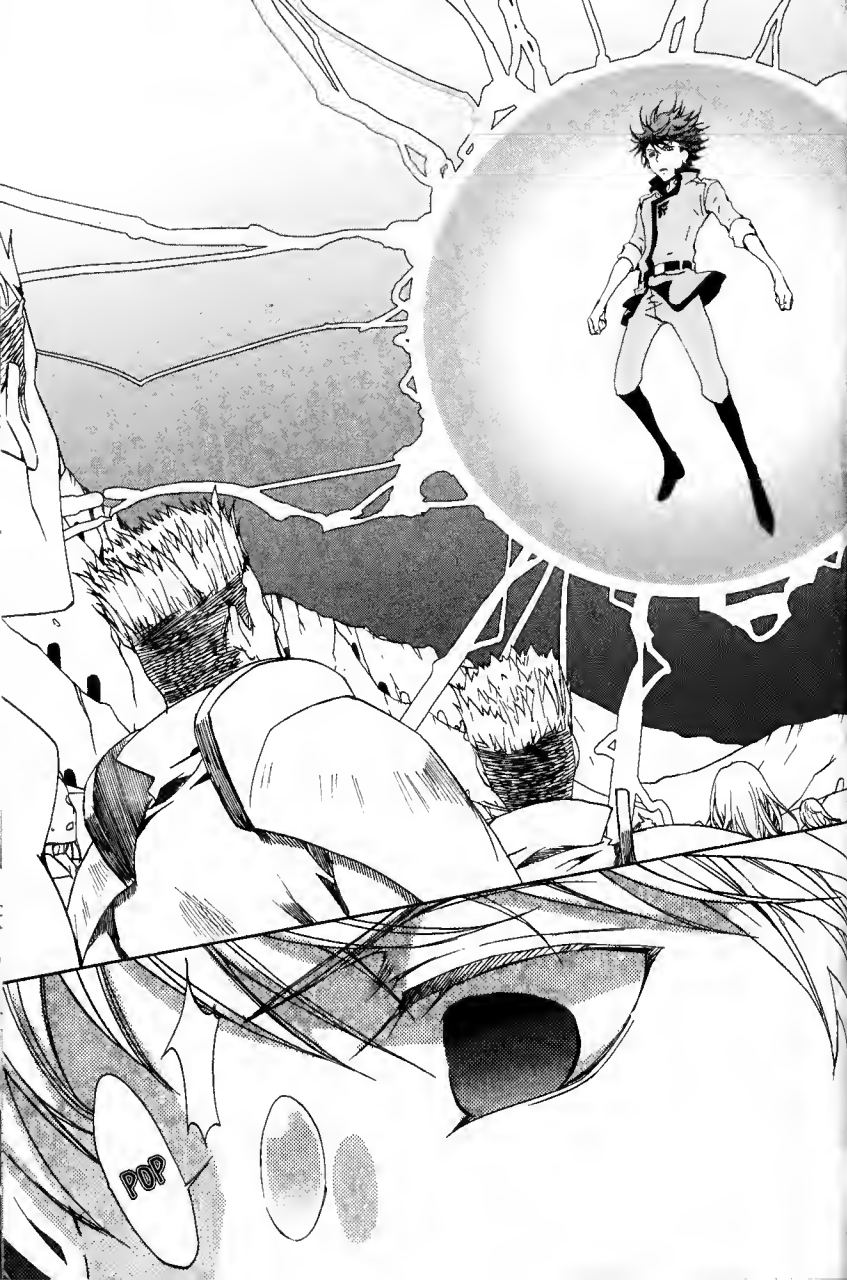


I WANT
TO DO
AS HE
WISHES.

HIS
MAJESTY
WOULD
PROBABLY--



LET'S
EXAMINE
THIS PLACE
AGAIN.





SOME-
ONE'S
USING...

...MAGIC?

IT'S NOT. IT
COULDN'T
BE.

IT
COULDN'T
BE HIS
MAJESTY
...




NO, IT'S
DEFINITELY
HIM.



IT'S
MAGIC.









...yet you
punish love
and caring
without
understanding
of justice,
Mr. White
Mohawk!!


Both must
yearn for
each other if
this is their
crime and
punishment...




...the burden
is placed
only upon
the frail...



...when they
are sent to
this gathering
place. What
is the
meaning
of this?!!



...are not
commended,
they are
whipped.
Such is their
treatment from
this ruthless
and unjust
country.



Though both
vowed to run
away together,
the men sold
the women
because they
cared more for
themselves.

The bond
between man
and woman
cannot be
created by a
woman alone.

In
spite of
that...

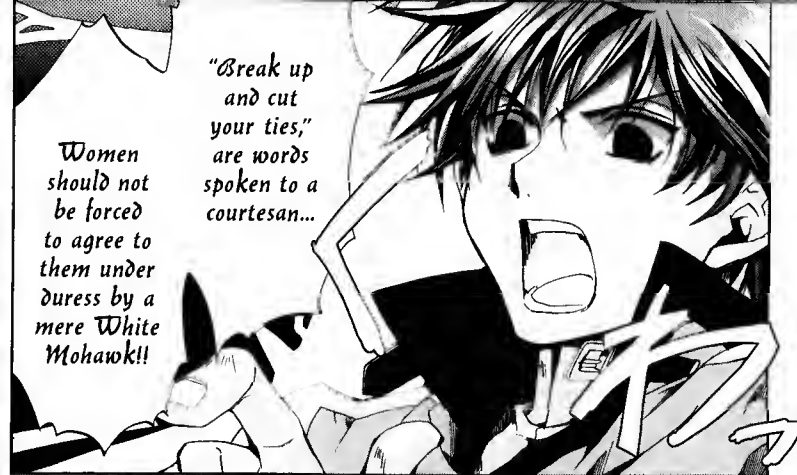


It is not in
Our nature to
destroy and
murder...
...
however,
We have
no choice.

We
shall slay
thee!

EEEEK!

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"Break up
and cut
your ties,"
are words
spoken to a
courtesan...

Women
should not
be forced
to agree to
them under
duress by a
mere White
Mohawk!!



Furthermore,
thou dost
bury the
babes of these
women in the
earth alive.

Such displays
of ruthlessness
and injustice
shall make even
the demons of
hell turn away
in disgust...

IT LOOKS
LIKE HE'S
GOT A
NEW ACT
MIXED IN.

Ha
ha.

Such
behavior is
inhuman!!



This is thy Judgment!



TH--

THE DEAD!!



IS HE A NECRO-MANCER?!

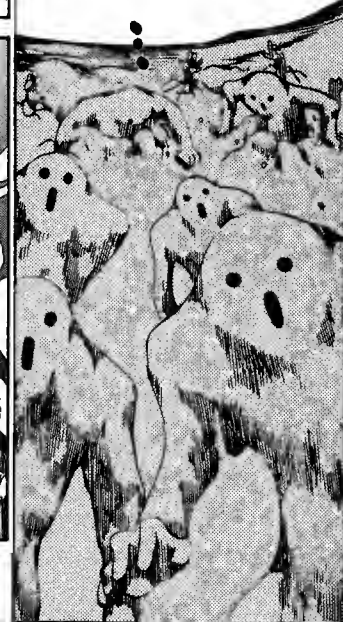


THEY LOOK LIKE PEOPLE, BUT IT'S JUST SAND AND DIRT.

THEY'RE WRONG... THOSE AREN'T THE DEAD.

YOU COULD CALL THEM GOLEMS.

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AAAAAAH!

IT'S A
DEMON!

A MESSENGER
FROM HELL!!

A
messenger
from hell,
thou
sayest?

Very
well!

Stretch
thine arms
from the
front to the
sides...

...and exercise
thy arms
and legs!

YOUR
MAJESTY
...

...YOU'VE
REALLY
LEARNED A
LOT FROM
THOSE SPECIAL
EFFECTS USED
BY ACTION
HEROES ON
AFTERNOON TV,
HAVEN'T YOU?



WHAT ARE...

MY LORD BROTHER?!

... YOU ...

DOING?!



Hast thou forgotten Our face?!!

WELL NOW ...

...HOW SHALL WE STOP THIS?

DON'T ASK ME!

.....?



QUIT
IT AL-
READY.

GOT IT,
YURI?!

PUT
THESE
IDIOTIC
DOLLS
BACK!!



.....



Well then.
We have
no other
choice.

...but how
magnificently
resolute thou
art to risk thy
flesh to stop Us.

In
deference to
thy loyalty
...



We do not
recognize
thee...



MUST
YOU KILL
SOME OF
THEM...

...BEFORE
YOU'RE
SATISFIED,
THEN?!





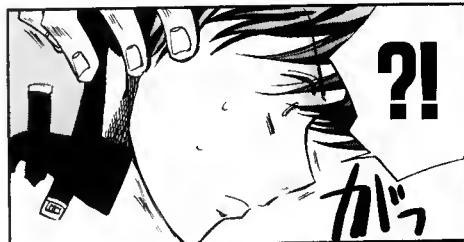
WATER,
EH?!

F-FOR
NOW,
JUST GET
ME SOME
WATER.

WHAT?
!

WOLF...
NO...
THAT
IS...

WHY
ARE YOU
ALWAYS
LIKE
THIS?!



I-I REALLY
AM GOING TO
DROWN IF YOU
DON'T LAY
OFF! PLEASE!

HERE!
DROWN
IN IT!

DO YOU
KNOW...

...AND
NOW...

THE
HARSH
RAYS OF
SUN HAVE
GONE...

...COLD.

アハ...

HEY!

...ILLUMI-
NATED BY
THE LIGHT
FROM THE
MOON AND
STARS...

...I SEE
THESE
GOLDEN
STRANDS
...

WHAT?

.....
!



.....
YOU'RE
ALL TALK.



JUST
SIT
THERE.

I'LL
FIND YOU
SOMETHING
TO DRINK.



I KNOW
HOW YOU
FEEL...

...BECAUSE
I WAS JUST
AS WORRIED
ABOUT YOU.



UHM
...
WHERE'S
CONRAD
...NO,
GWEN?!



WOLFRAM...



...HOW
WORRIED
I WAS?!



ANSWER
MY QUES-
TION!!

MY LORD
BROTHER
HAS
ESCAPED
SAFELY!!



.....
PRETTY
BOY IS SELF-
CENTERED
AS USUAL,
ISN'T HE?



DO YOU
KNOW
HOW
WORRIED
I WAS?!



HER CHILD.



SHE'S
LOOKING
FOR SOME-
THING.

SOME-
THING
THAT WAS
SLEEPING
HERE.



YES.

NORIKA?

WHY ARE
YOU DIGGING
OUT HERE
SO LATE AT
NIGHT?



WHAT
IS--

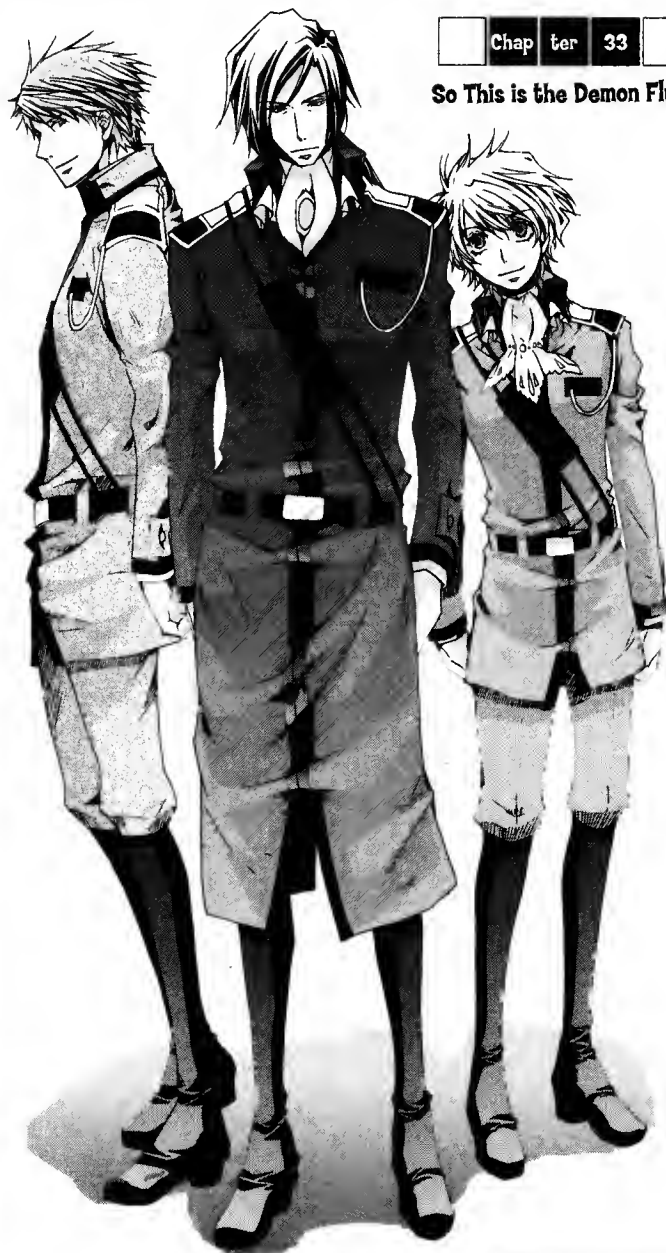


CONRAD...

IS THAT
YOU, YOUR
HIGHNESS?

ザー...

So This is the Demon Flute!



JOSAK
AND I
WERE
LUCKY.

YOU
KNOW,
IN THIS
PLACE...

...LIE
COUNTLESS
WOMEN AND
CHILDREN
WHO SHARED
THE SAME
TERRIBLE
FATE.



AND
FOR...

...
CHASTISING
THEM FOR
OUR SAKES.
THANKS.

CHASTIS-
ING?

THANK
YOU...

...FOR
SAVING
MALTA'S
BABY.

AREN'T
YOU AFRAID
OF MY EYES?
ISN'T BLACK
BAD LUCK?

AS IF
I'D BE
AFRAID
OF YOU.

OH...

...DID I
DO IT
AGAIN?

OH,
THEN...

YOUR
NAME...
...ISN'T NAME...
REALLY
TWEEDLE-
DEE,
IS IT?

MY
CONTACTS
ARE GONE!



NORIKA...

HE'S MY
CHILD, I'LL
FIND HIM
MYSELF.

IT'S
OKAY.



CHILD,
YOU
MEAN
...





I'LL GO
GET A
SHOVEL.

JUST
LIKE
YOU...
...HE
WAS A
MAZOKU.

THAT'S
OKAY. I
WANT TO
DIG WITH
MY BARE
HANDS.



I WANT TO
SEARCH FOR
MY DARLING
CHILD WITH MY
OWN HANDS.

I DON'T
CARE IF ALL
FIND IS A
SHARD OF
HIS BONES.

HE IS THE
SON THAT
I GAVE
BIRTH TO
10 YEARS
AGO!



LET
ME SEE
THEM
BETTER.

OOH,
THEY REALLY
ARE A DEEP,
CLEAR
BLACK.

I'VE NEVER
SEEN SUCH
BEAUTIFUL
EYES.

WHO
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?



THE
SAME
BLACK
EYES AND
HAIR AS
YOU...

HE SAID HE
SAW, JUST
ONCE...
...A
PORTRAIT
OF A SAGE
FROM A
LONG TIME
AGO AT
THE ROYAL
CAPITAL.





YOU
SEEM
HAPPY.

...I CAN TELL THE
EXPRESSION ON
YOUR FACE...

DOES
MY VOICE
SOUND
HAPPY?

...WITHOUT
EVEN LOOKING,
YOU KNOW.

...

THAT'S
NOT IT.

BESIDES
THOSE
WHO HAVE
ESCAPED

...THERE ARE
ABOUT 14
LADIES WHO
HAD ROMANTIC
RELATIONSHIPS
WITH MAZOKU.

THEY
ALL...

ALL THE
LIVING AND
ALL THE
DEAD.

EVERY-
ONE HELD
PRISON-
ER HERE
HAS BEEN
RELEASED.

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO THE
WOMEN
WHO WERE
SUFFERING
HERE?

IS THAT
SO?

BUT...
...
CONRAD
...

I
BELIEVE
THEY WILL
ORGANIZE
A PURSUIT
SOON, BUT--

ALL
THE SOLDIERS HAVE
DESERTED.





I CAN'T
EVEN
FIND HIS
BONES.



THERE
ISN'T
ANYTHING
LEFT TO
SHOW
THAT HE
EXISTED.



IT HAS
BEEN
10
YEARS...



HUH?



NOT
HERE...



THEY CAN
GO, THEN!
TOGETHER,
WITH US!

I'LL TAKE
THEM!
I'LL TAKE
RESPON-
SIBILITY!

*I wonder
what Gunter
would say.*

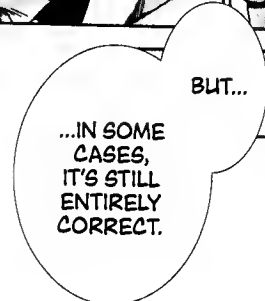
TOGETHER...

TO SHIN-
MAKOKU

AS USUAL,
YOU SPEAK
FROM GUT
INSTINCT,
DON'T YOU?



...SAY THEY
WANT TO
SEE THEIR
HUSBANDS'
HOMELAND.



BUT...

...IN SOME
CASES,
IT'S STILL
ENTIRELY
CORRECT.

WITHOUT A DUNGEON,
A MIDDLE
BOSS OR A
TREASURE
CHEST?!

COULD
IT BE?

WITHOUT A DUNGEON,
A MIDDLE
BOSS OR A
TREASURE
CHEST?!

COULD
IT BE?

THE THING
WE'VE BEEN
SEARCHING
FOR...

...ALL
ALONG?

IN A
PLACE
LIKE
THIS?!

THE THING
WE'VE BEEN
SEARCHING
FOR...

...ALL
ALONG?

IN A
PLACE
LIKE
THIS?!

THE THING
WE'VE BEEN
SEARCHING
FOR...

...ALL
ALONG?

IN A
PLACE
LIKE
THIS?!

PIPE...

IT'S NOT MY SON.

I SAW THAT TOO. IT'S JUST A PIPE. IT'S NOT HUMAN REMAINS.

OOH.

PIPE...

IT'S NOT MY SON.

I SAW THAT TOO. IT'S JUST A PIPE. IT'S NOT HUMAN REMAINS.

OOH.

PIPE...

IT'S NOT MY SON.

I SAW THAT TOO. IT'S JUST A PIPE. IT'S NOT HUMAN REMAINS.

OOH.

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な

WHAT'S THIS?

PIPE?!

COULD IT BE?

IT COULDN'T BE. IT COULDN'T BE. IT COULDN'T BE!

A LONG SKINNY TUBE THAT'S PART OF SOMETHING ELSE?!

COULD IT BE?

IT COULDN'T BE. IT COULDN'T BE. IT COULDN'T BE!

A LONG SKINNY TUBE THAT'S PART OF SOMETHING ELSE?!

COULD IT BE?

IT COULDN'T BE. IT COULDN'T BE. IT COULDN'T BE!

A LONG SKINNY TUBE THAT'S PART OF SOMETHING ELSE?!



WHAT
DID YOU
SAY?!

I FOUND
THE
MATEKI!

Anyway...
YOU
GOTTA
SEE THIS,
CONRAD!



NO--

NO, IT MIGHT
BE AMAZING
IF I PLAY IT.



COULD
IT BE?

AAAH...



IS THAT
SO?

THIS
SHAPE
REALLY
BRINGS BACK
MEMORIES.



THE
DEMON
FLUTE
MATEKI!!!

TA-DA!



IT'S A
SOPRANO
RECORDER,
ISN'T IT?!

LIKE...



...SOME-
THING I
GOT FROM
NICOLA.

THIS
IS...



WHERE
DID YOU
GET THE
OTHER
PARTS?



OH.



UMM,
NICOLA IS--

NICOLA?
!

YOU MEAN
NICOLA,
GEGENHUBER'S
LOVER?

YOU
KNOW
HER?



WE MET
ALONG THE
WAY AND
HAVE BEEN
TRAVELING
TOGETHER.

I-IS THAT
SO?



NICOLA...

HUBE...



IT MAY
LOOK LIKE
A NORMAL
EVERYDAY
RECORDER,
BUT...

TOOT



THIS IS
SOMETHING THAT
EVERY JAPANESE
STUDENT GETS
TRAINED IN
FOR ABOUT
SIX YEARS.

*If this was for Char's
exclusive use, then he
could have practiced
on a mass-produced
version or like...*

WHAT ELSE COULD
WE EXPECT FROM
YOUR MAJESTY!
YOU CAN PLAY IT
IMMEDIATELY UPON
ACQUIRING IT!

...IT REALLY
IS JUST A
NORMAL
RECORDER?!

NO...
THAT IS...
CONRAD!

...EVEN
SO...



WHAT'S
YOUR
FATHER'S
NAME?!

IT ALL...
...COMES
BACK TO
GEGEN-
HUBER!

NORIKA!!

.....
IT'S
SHAS,
BUT--

I KNEW
IT!

I'M SHAS AND THIS
IS MY GRANDCHILD,
GILTA.



...BURIED
A PIECE OF
THE MATEKI
HERE...

GEGEN-
HUBER...



...INSTEAD
OF THE
CHILD!



RELAX
AND GET
SOME
REST.

WHENEVER
YOU CAST A
BIG SPELL,
YOU ALWAYS
FALL
ASLEEP,
RIGHT?

...WHY
DO I
HAVE TO
REST MY
HEAD ON
A GUY'S
LAP?!

Even so...



THAT'S
WHY I'M
ASKING
YOU WHY!

AS IF
I'D BE
HAPPY!

IT
MAKES
YOU
HAPPY,
RIGHT?

SHAS...

...DIDN'T RAT
OUT NORIKA.
THAT WAS A
MISUNDER-
STANDING.

SOMEONE
ELSE
RATTED
ME OUT.

IT WAS A
WOMAN I WAS
FRIENDLY WITH,
THE OWNER OF
A FRUIT STORE,
SHE LET THE
INFORMATION
SLIP.

I'M GLAD.

NORIKA WILL
BE REUNITED
WITH HER
FAMILY.



HE'S
ALIVE!
YOUR
CHILD IS
ALIVE!

NORIKA!



BEFORE
SVELERA'S
ARMY
SENDS OUT
A PUNITIVE
FORCE...

...WE
MUST
LEAVE
HERE OR
ELSE.



BECAUSE
WE USED THE
SOLDIERS'
HORSES FOR
THE WOMEN
WHO ARE
ESCAPING.

IT'S A
SLED,
NOT A
CARRIAGE.

...I FEEL
GUILTY
RIDING A
CARRIAGE,
YOU
KNOW.

WHEN
MOST
OF THE
SOLDIERS
HAVE TO
WALK...



...YOU AND GWEN ARE SURPRISINGLY ALIKE IN SOME WAYS, AREN'T YOU?

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT...



SURPRISING, IS IT?



SCOLDING?

FROM WHO, FOR WHAT?

FROM GWENDAL.

I GOT A SCOLDING, YOU KNOW.



YEP.

BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOU HAD NOTHING IN COMMON WHATSOEVER.



HE'S AN UNFAITHFUL LOOSEY GOOSEY, YOU KNOW.

...WHICH ONE ARE YOU GOING TO TIE THE KNOT WITH, YURI? THE OLDER BROTHER OR THE YOUNGER ONE?

SO...

NICOLA CRIED WHEN SHE HEARD WE DIDN'T FIND HUBE...

...BUT SHE GOT HER SMILE BACK WHEN SHE FOUND OUT SHE COULD LIVE IN HIS HOMETLAND.

SAVE ME, CONRAD!

I DON'T MIND RIDING TANDEM BEHIND YOU, JUST GET ME OUT OF HERE!!



...BUT I THINK
IN THE END,
I BENEFITED
FROM ALL
THIS.

I THINK HE'D
HIT ME IF HE
HEARD ME
SAY IT...



I LEARNED
THAT FOR
THE FIRST
TIME ON
THIS TRIP.

...AND
HE GETS
EMOTIONAL
AND EVEN
LAUGHS,
TOO.

GWEN HAS
WEAKNESSES
LIKE ANYONE
ELSE...



I'M JEALOUS
BECAUSE IT
FEELS LIKE
I'M BEHIND
NOW.

TRUE.



WHAT'RE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?



SO HE
WANTED
TO KNOW
WHAT I WAS
TEACHING
YOU.

HE'S
PASSING
THE BUCK!



YOU
TELL
HIM
THAT.



HAND?

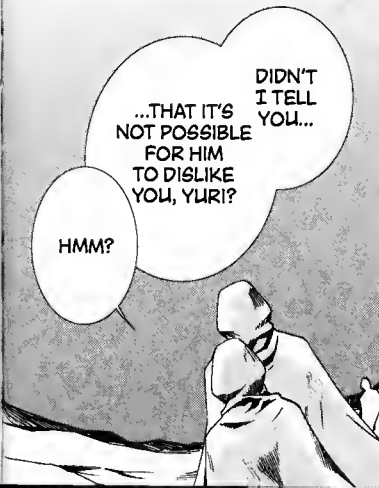
FOR
YOUR
HAND.

YOUR
MAJESTY'S
HAND HAS
CALLUSES
FROM A
BAT, NOT
A SWORD,
RIGHT?



YOU
THINK
SO?

IT LOOKS LIKE
YOU TWO HAVE
BECOME QUITE
FRIENDLY,
HAVEN'T YOU?



...THAT IT'S
NOT POSSIBLE
FOR HIM
TO DISLIKE
YOU, YURI?

DIDN'T
I TELL
YOU...

HMM?



WE MIGHT
BE ABOUT
TO THE
POINT
WHERE
I THINK
MAYBE HE
DOESN'T
DISLIKE
ME...

WELL...

YOU'RE BROTHERS, SO YOU KNOW...

YOU SHOULD TRY TALKING WHILE GAZING AT THE STARS.

YOU'LL FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF PERSON YOUR BIG BROTHER IS.

IT'D TOTALLY BE WORTH YOUR TIME.

THEN YOU'D FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF PERSON YOUR BIG BROTHER IS.

WHY DON'T YOU GO STARGAZING TOGETHER AND JUST TALK?



THEY'RE
COMING
AFTER US,
AREN'T
THEY?



*YOUR
MAJESTY!*

*HURRY
BACK TO
THE SLED!*

*WAIT A
MINUTE
HERE!*

*WE SHOULD
GET AS MANY
WOMEN AS WE
CAN TO THE
CARRIAGE!*

*YOU'RE
NOT
LISTENING
AGAIN!*

*I ALREADY
TOLD YOU,
YOUR
MAJESTY'S
LIFE IS
MY FIRST
PRIORITY!*

BLIT--

...HUH?





THIS
RECORDER
...

THEY
SAY IT
CALLS
THE
RAIN.

IS THERE
SOMETHING
I CAN--



OKAY!

YOUR
MAJESTY?

...AND IF
IT'S THE
REAL THING
THEN IT'S
JUST WHAT
WE NEED!

I'VE GOT
NOTHING
TO LOSE BY
TRYING...



AARGH...
IT'S HIDDEN BY
SORCERY
...

...AND NO
ONE BUT
YOUR
MAJESTY
CAN
SEE IT!

THERE'S A
SANDBEAR
OVER
THERE!

WHERE
IS IT?!

IF
ONLY WE
COULD...

...DO SOME-
THING TO
HOLD OUR
PURSUERS
BACK.



WHO--?

Heey...



...RYAN?



YOU DIDN'T
REALLY
TAME THE
SANDBEAR,
DID YOU?



I'M GONNA
PLAY UNTIL
I'VE RUN
THROUGH
MY WHOLE
REPERTOIRE!!



LISTEN
TO MY
FLUTE!!

YOUR
MAJESTY...

IT'S JUST
SONGS I
LEARNED
IN GRADE
SCHOOL,
BUT--





THEN
RYAN...

...TAMED THAT
FEROCIOUS
SANDBEAR IN
JUST FIVE DAYS?



THE
RAIN...


THE
DEMON
FLUTE
REALLY
CALLED IT!



I GUESS
IT'S OKAY
AS LONG
AS IT'S NOT
IN KANJI...
RIGHT?

I'M
GOING TO NAME
MY CHILD
AFTER
YOU,
YURI.

WE NEVER
DISCOVERED
GEGENHUBER'S
WHEREABOUTS...



I'D HEARD
HE WAS
UNEQUALLED
IN HIS LOVE
OF ANIMALS,
BUT...

YOU
WOULDN'T
THINK ANYONE
COULD TAME
THAT BRUTAL
PANDA, HUH?

...WE SAFELY
ELUDED
OUR PUR-
SUERS.

THANKS
TO THE
RAIN...

SO IT
SEEMS. IT
SURPRISED
ME, TOO.



...GUNTER...
THOSE
CLOTHES...

YOU
MEAN
THIS
OUTFIT?

BUT
STILL...

...BUT
NICOLA WAS
ACCEPTED INTO
GEGENHUBER'S
HOUSEHOLD
AS HIS WIFE.

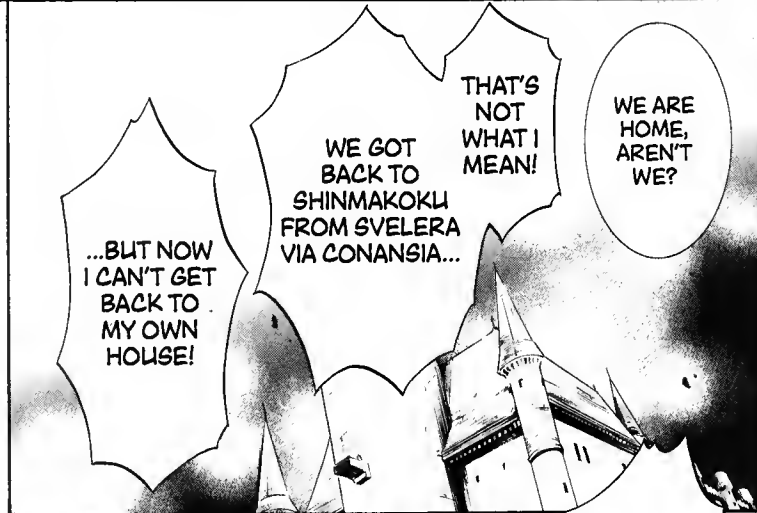


WE
FOLLOWED
RYAN...

...AND TOOK
SHELTER IN THE
NEST OF THE
SANDBEAR,
WHO WAS
COMPLETELY
COMFORTABLE
AROUND
HUMANS NOW.







...BUT NOW
I CAN'T GET
BACK TO
MY OWN
HOUSE!

WE GOT
BACK TO
SHINMAKOKU
FROM SVELERA
VIA CONANSIA...

THAT'S
NOT
WHAT I
MEAN!

WE ARE
HOME,
AREN'T
WE?



I CAN'T GO
HOME?



DO YOU
KNOW
HOW
MUCH
THIS
MEANS
TO ME?!

SOME-
THING
LIKE
THAT?!

YOU WERE
JUST USING
ME FOR
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT?



YURI, THIS
CASTLE IS THE
HOME YOU
RETURN TO...

YOU DON'T
NEED TO GO
ANYWHERE,
RIGHT?

YOU'RE THE
RULER OF
THIS LAND
NOW, YOU
KNOW.



ACK!
DON'T
JUMP
IN!

IT'S
WEIRD,
YOU
KNOW?

I'M TRYING
TO FIGURE
OUT WHAT
KIND OF
GAME
THIS IS.

SORRY,
COULD
YOU TRY
PUSHING
ON MY
BACK A
LITTLE?



WHAT?

YOU
WEREN'T
GOING TO
TRY A NEW
WAY TO
DO IT?

I CAN'T
GO
HOME.

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
DIVING IN?

ALL YOU
HAVE TO
DO IS
PUSH ME!

"WAY
TO DO
IT," YOU
MEAN
--

YOU...

...AND
RESOLVE
THE
SITUATION...

IF I DO
THE BEST
I CAN...

...THEN I'VE
CLEARED
THE STAGE
AND GO
HOME,
RIGHT?

IF I CAN'T GO
BACK THERE
EVER AGAIN,
THEN WHAT'S
GOING TO HAPPEN
TO ME HERE IN
SHINMAKOKU?

...BEFORE...
LAST TIME...

IT'S ONLY
NATURAL FOR
YOU TO BE
HERE ALL THE
TIME, RIGHT?

...NOW
ON.

...FROM...

.....

...IT
HAPPENED
THEN,
DIDN'T IT?

BUT...

#4



I CAN'T GO HOME? I DIDN'T EVEN THINK OF THAT.

BUT...



THAT AND...

YOU WERE GETTING ALL EXCITED ABOUT MAKING IT THE NATIONAL SPORT, RIGHT?

YOU CAN JUST CREATE A NEW TEAM HERE.

AFTER ALL, IF I CAN'T GO BACK TO JAPAN, I WON'T BE ABLE TO WATCH BASEBALL EVER AGAIN!

...MURATA
...MY FRIENDS...
...MY PARENTS...
AND MY OLDER BROTHER...

YOU DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?



...ARE GOING TO LIVE AS OUR MAOH.





WHAT
KIND OF
KING ARE
YOU IF
YOU DIDN'T
SEE THIS
COMING?



YOU CAN'T
RUN FROM
WHERE
YOUR SOUL
BELONGS.

YOU
BELONG
TO THIS
WORLD.



BUT NO
ONE--



!...



YOU'RE
GOING
TO SAY...

...NO ONE
TOLD YOU
ABOUT
THAT,
RIGHT?

I'VE
LEARNED
KARATE
AND SELF
DEFENSE...
FROM A
BOOK...

IT WAS THE
FIRST TIME
I'D EVER HAD
VICIOUS
CLASSMATES
TRY TO EXTORT
MY LUNCH
MONEY.

YOU KNOW,
SHIBUYA, I
REALLY WAS
GRATEFUL
THAT YOU
SAVED ME.

...DIDN'T
CONSIDER
WHAT THIS
CHOICE
WOULD
MEAN.

...SO I'M NOT
USUALLY THE
TARGET OF
BULLIES.

ANYWAY, I
DON'T REALLY
KNOW WHAT
KIND OF
PERSON I AM
DEEP DOWN...

...SO I'LL
JUST TRY
ASKING,
SHIBUYA...

WHO
ARE YOU?

WHY WERE
YOU BORN,
AND WHAT
DO YOU
LIVE FOR?





...YOUR
MAJESTY.

...FOR
YOU TO
WAKE
UP...



...WHEN
YOU'RE THE
ONE WHO
GAVE ME
MY NAME IN
THE FIRST
PLACE.

DON'T CALL
ME YOUR
MAJESTY...



THE THIRD
ALARM BIRD
HAS CRIED
THOUGH.

YOU'RE
KIDDING!

FORGIVE
ME...

...IT'S A
HABIT.

REMEMBER
THAT
SUMMER
DAY ON
EARTH...

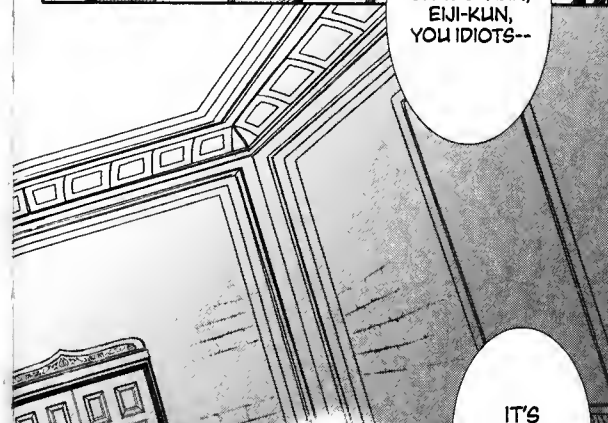


DID I
DROWN
IN THAT
POOL? AM
I ALREADY
DEAD?

MAYBE
THAT'S
WHY
IT'S SO
HARD TO
BREATHE.

NNGH...

BANDO-KUN,
EJI-KUN,
YOU IDIOTS--



IT'S
ABOUT
TIME...



AGAIN?

I TRIED TO
RETURN TO
PRESENT DAY
JAPAN BY
THE USUAL
METHOD...

ANOTHER
DREAM
ABOUT
BANDO-
KUN?

WELL,
YEAH.

...BUT I
COULDN'T
GO HOME.

IT'S
ALREADY
BEEN FOUR
WHOLE
MONTHS--
HUH?

...LIKE...
HMM?

W...!!

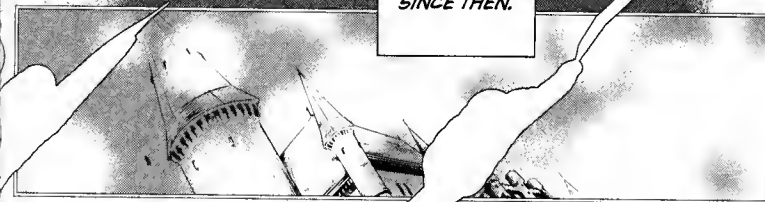


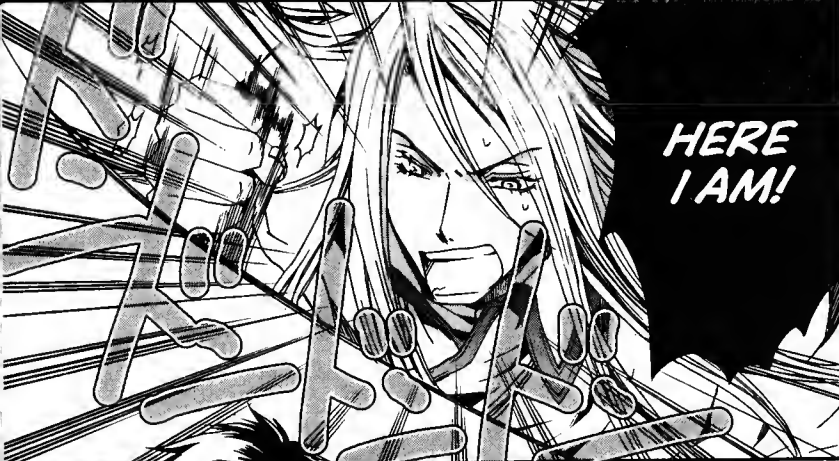
...AND WHILE
SHAKING
HANDS WITH
THE DOLPHIN,
BANDO-KUN,
I PULLED A
STAR TOURS...

...WHEN WE
WENT TO SEA
WORLD TO
COMMEMOR-
ATE KEN
MURATA
GETTING
DUMPED...

...AND
ARRIVED IN
A WORLD OF
SWORDS,
MAGIC AND
AN ARMY OF
HANDSOME
MEN?

WELL, WITH
THIS, THAT
AND OTHER,
IT HAS BEEN
ALMOST
120 DAYS
SINCE THEN.





HERE
I AM!



I LOCKED
IT JUST
IN CASE.

OPEN
THE
DOOR!

YOUR
MAJESTY,
WHAT HAS
HAPPENED?
YOUR
MAJESTY!!

YOU
SAVED
ME
AGAIN.

I KNEW
I COULD
COUNT
ON YOU,
CONRAD?



...HE'S
ENTIRELY
CURLED
UP ON TOP
OF ME,
ISN'T HE?

AAACK!
WOLFRAM!

I THOUGHT
IT WAS
STRANGELY
UNCOMFOR-
TABLE...

IF
GUNTER
...



KNOCK
KNOCK

...SAW
THIS--

YES, BLOOD-
PLEDGE
CASTLE
HERE, IS MY
CASTLE.

BECAUSE...

...THERE
HAS TO BE
A GUEST
SUITE OR
TWO.

...WHY IS
WOLF LIVING
IN MY ROOM?

THIS PLACE
IS SO
FREAKISHLY
HUGE...



What are
you doing in
His Majesty's
bedroom?!

Feeeeeek~!

SEE YA,
GUNTER!

I'M GOING
RUNNING!!

YOUR!!

WOLFRAM!!

zzzz...

BUT...



WHAT?

ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT?

...FOR
SOME
REASON...

...SOME-
TIMES I'M
ABLE TO
READ JUST
BY TRACING
THE LETTERS
WITH MY
FINGER.



I'M FINE.



...!...

...AM THE
MAOH.

THE TIME WHEN
IT WAS SO
OVERWHELMING
THAT I THOUGHT
IT HAD TO BE A
DREAM PASSED
LONG AGO.

I DON'T
HAVE THE
LIBERTY
TO BE
DEPRESSED.

THE VOLUME
OF THE MAOH'S
GOVERNMENTAL
DUTIES IS
ENORMOUS.

I'VE LEARNED TO
READ AND WRITE
A LITTLE OF THE
LANGUAGE OF
SHINMAKOKU...

...THOUGH
ONLY AT
THE LEVEL
OF A THREE
YEAR OLD.

THOUGH...

Okay!

I PROMISED--

WELL
NOW...

...IT'S ABOUT
TIME FOR
BREAKFAST.

WOLF, ARE
YOU AND
GUNTHER
STILL...

...ARGUING?

HUH?

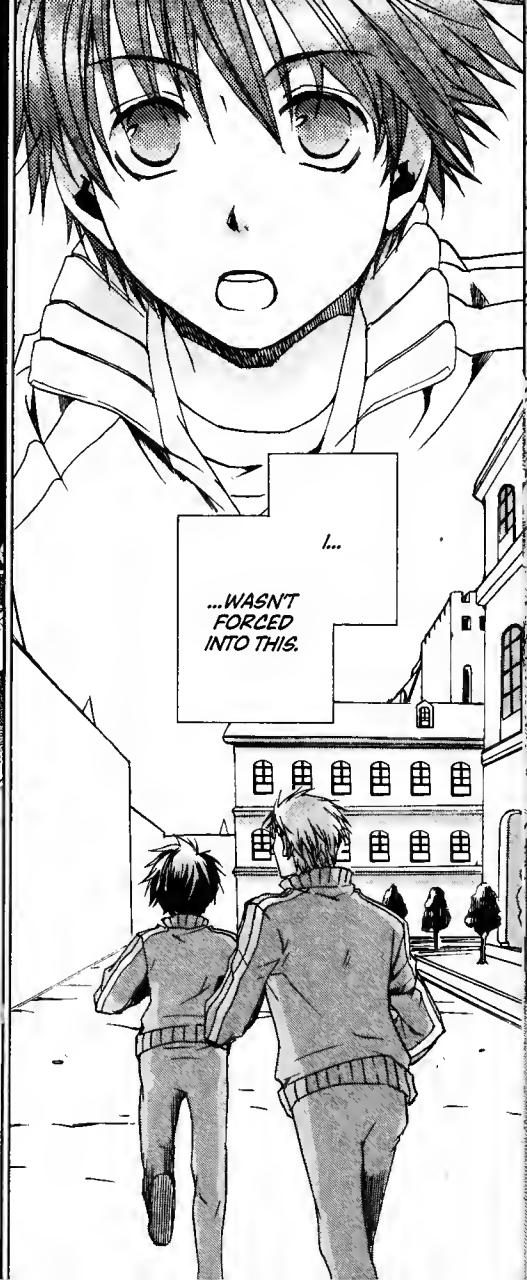
IT LOOKS
LIKE THERE'S
SOME KIND OF
COMMOTION.

*I CHOSE TO
ACCEPT THIS
RESPONS-
IBILITY
MYSELF.*

*I WAS BORN
WITH THE
MAOH'S
SOUL, SO I
PROMISED
TO DEFEND
THIS
COUNTRY.*

...

...WASN'T
FORCED
INTO THIS.





YEP.

I BET.

THAT'S
THE KIND
OF MAN
GWENDAL
IS.

HE IS...



HIS
EXCELLENCY
WAS SO
ANGRY AT
HUBE...

...BUT HE'S
VERY KIND
TO ME, YOU
KNOW.

HIS
EXCELLENCY...
OH, GWENDAL,
RIGHT?



YOU
CAME!!

YOUR
MAJESTY!

IT'S BEEN
A WHILE!

NICOLA!!

HAVE YOU
BEEN WELL,
YOUR MA-
JESTY?

NICOLA IS
HUMAN,
BUT SHE'S
ENGAGED
TO A
MAZOKU.

I MET HER
DURING
THE FUSS
ABOUT THE
MATEKI.

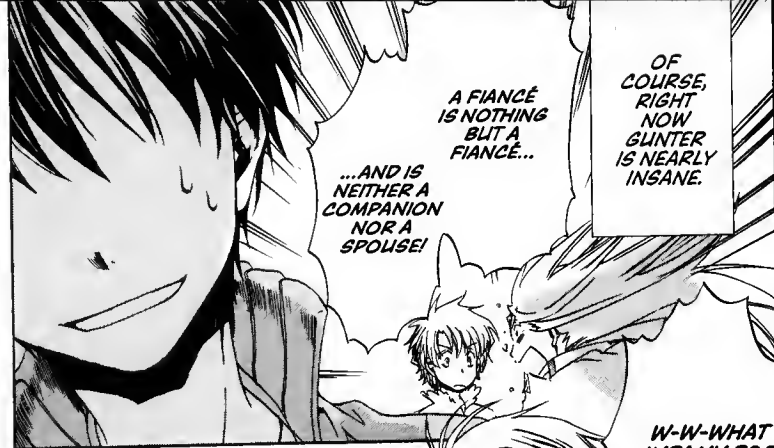


I DID...

BUT HIS
EXCELLENCY
ESCORTED ME
HERE, SO--

I MEAN,
YOU
TRAVELED
ALL THIS
WAY.

HOW
IS THE
BABY IN
YOUR
TUMMY
DOING?



A FIANCÉ
IS NOTHING
BUT A
FIANCÉ...

...AND IS
NEITHER A
COMPANION
NOR A
SPOUSE!

OF
COURSE,
RIGHT
NOW
GLINTER
IS NEARLY
INSANE.



NOW,
NOW.

YOU'RE ALMOST
150 YEARS OLD.
THAT LECTURE
MIGHT AS WELL
HAVE COME
FROM SOMEONE
OF THE LAST
GENERATION.



W-W-WHAT
INFAMY FOR
YOU TO SPEND
THE NIGHT
TOGETHER
BEFORE
SWEARING
THE VOWS OF
MATRIMONY!

OH
PLEASE!



AND
BESIDES,
WE'RE
BOTH
GUYS TO
BEGIN
WITH...

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO GET
YOUR PANTIES
IN A KNOT JUST
BECAUSE THEY
SLEPT IN THE
SAME BED...



...ONE OF
THREE
MAZOKU
BROTHERS--
GWENDAL,
LORD VON
VOLTAIRE...

...WOLFRAM,
LORD VON
BIELEFELD...

...AND
CONRAD,
LORD
WELLER.

AND THEN
THERE'S
MY TUTOR,
GLINTER,
LORD VON
KLEIST.

THEY'RE
ALL...

...CAPABLE
PEOPLE WHO
SUPPORT ME
FAITHFULLY.





THE TRUTH IS...



REPORTING IN, SIR!

WHAT'S WRONG?

I MEAN...

I UNDERSTAND THAT THESE ARE NOT HIS MAJESTY, THE MAOH'S, WORKING HOURS...



YES SIR!
I BEG YOUR PARDON!!

...YOU CAN JUST BLURT OUT WITH IT, YOU KNOW.

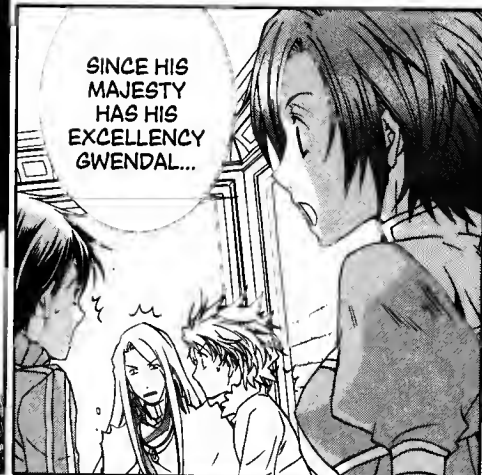
... YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO FORMAL ...



THAT'S THE WORST MISUNDERSTANDING OF ALL!!



I WONDER HOW BOTH OF THEM COULD GET THE WRONG IDEA LIKE THAT.



SINCE HIS MAJESTY HAS HIS EXCELLENCY GWENDAL...




CONRAD, CAN YOU PUT A STOP TO THIS...
...STUPID ENGAGEMENT CHARADE?



KNOCK KNOCK

OOH...
...IF WOLF WAS A GIRL THEN...

HMM?



THE VISITOR
IS THE RULER OF
THE COUNTRY OF
SHINMAKOKU AND
THE ABSOLUTE
LEADER OF THE
MAZOKU...

WELL
THEN
...
...I WILL
SPEAK.

I
SEE...

EVERY-
ONE HERE
CAN KEEP
A SECRET.



RIGHT,
GUNTER?

YES. SEE
ME FIRST
FOR SUCH
MATTERS.



OH.

IS
THAT
ALL?

SOMEONE
HAS APPEARED
AT THE CASTLE
GATES WHO
WISHES AN
AUDIENCE
WITH YOUR
MAJESTY.

I'LL ADJUST
MY SCHEDULE
AND SEE
THEM AFTER
BREAKFAST.



...THE 27TH
MAOH, HIS
MAJESTY,
YURI'S...



IT'S ALL
RIGHT.



...IT'S
A VERY
PERSONAL
MATTER
SO...

B-
BUT...
...THAT
IS...



...I THINK
IT WOULD
BE BEST IF
I TOLD HIS
MAJESTY
ALONE.



HEEY...



NO!

DON'T
MOVE
WITHOUT
PERMIS-
SION!

WOLFRAM
...

...CAN
I RELAX
ALREADY?

WHY--

The Life of a
Demon Aristocrat
Day Three



...ILLEGITI-
MATE
CHILD...

...OR SO
THEY
CLAIM!



YOU REALLY NEED TO HAVE A REALITY CHECK ON YOUR LACK OF ARTISTIC TALENT!

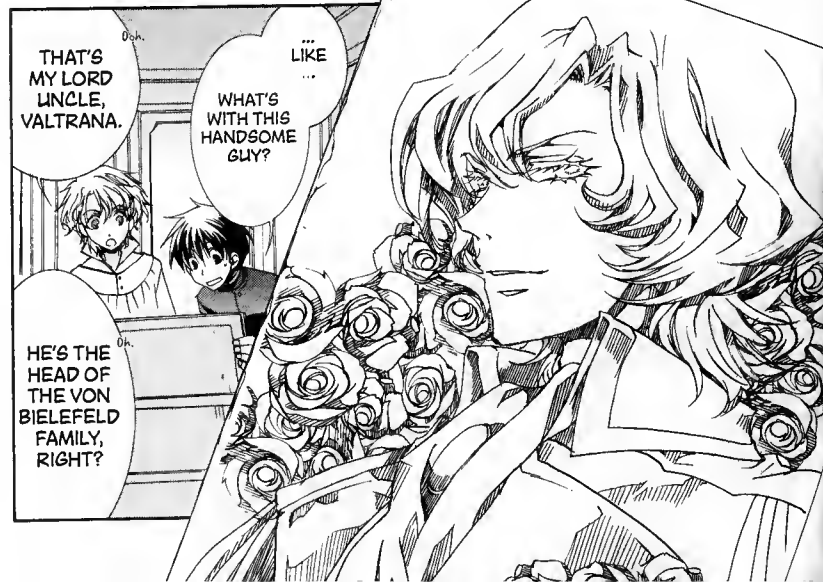
Wait...
ARE YOU LOOKING DOWN ON ME?!

HOW SAD...



SEE...

ALL YOU PAINT ARE THESE UNINTELLIGIBLE PICTURES...

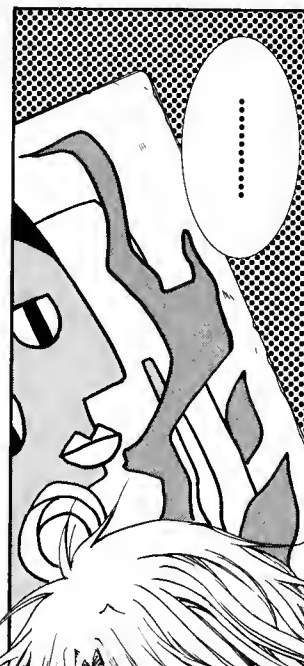


Oh.
THAT'S MY LORD UNCLE, VALTRANA.

... LIKE ...

WHAT'S WITH THIS HANDSOME GUY?

Oh.
HE'S THE HEAD OF THE VON BIELEFELD FAMILY, RIGHT?



.....

I KEEP TELLING YOU NOT TO MOVE!

OH, HEY!

YOU DON'T NEED A MODEL FOR--

IT'S JUST ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE ABSTRACT CUBIST PICTURES, RIGHT?



Let me see.



YURI...

...YOU DON'T HAVE THE SOUL TO APPRECIATE ART, DO YOU?



YOUR ART REALLY ...

Sigh...



AND THIS IS
GWEN AND
CONRAD?!

THIS
ONE'S
TSERI-
SAMA?!



THIS
PICTURE IS A
LOT BETTER
THAN THOSE
OLD THINGS!


YOU
KNOW...IT'D
BE NICE IF
YOU DREW
ME LIKE
THIS TOO.



I THINK
I'VE CAP-
TURED YOUR
FEATURES
WELL, IF I
DO SAY SO
MYSELF.

I
SEE...

.....



HUH...

IT'S
UNUSUAL
FOR YOU
TO SAY
THAT MUCH,
WOLFRAM.

YEP. HE'S
THE LORD
UNCLE THAT
I MOST
RESPECT
AND AM
PROUD OF.

DIDN'T
YOU GIVE
ME A GOLD
WINGED
BROOCH
OF HIS?



WHAT?

YOU
DREW
THIS?!

THIS
WAS A
STUDY
AND--

I DREW
A FEW
PORTRAITS
OF MY LORD
UNCLE WHEN
I LIVED IN
HIS LANDS.

THIS
BRINGS
BACK
MEMO-
RIES.



WAIT
A--

THIS IS
REALLY
GOOD,
ISN'T IT?!
WHY...LIKE
AAACK!!

IT'S AN
EARLY
WORK,
I WAS
YOUNG,
BUT...

YEAH.



...SHOULDN'T WE TELL HIS MAJESTY THAT WOLFRAM'S ARTISTIC STYLE HAS CHANGED?

YES...

...BUT IT'S SOMETIMES DIFFICULT FOR THE MASSES TO UNDERSTAND FINE ART.



...CONRAD...

THEY DO SAY "CLOSE ENOUGH TO FIGHT," YOU KNOW.

BUT ...



WHAT ARE YOU GRUMBLING ABOUT?

NOO.

NOTHING.



...YOU PAINT BEAUTIFUL PORTRAITS OF YOUR BROTHERS AND RELATIVES...

...AND I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO END UP LIKE THIS...DON'T YOU LIKE ME AFTER ALL?



WHAT'S WITH THAT GRUMPY ATTITUDE?!

WHAT?!

OH MY...

IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE ARGUING ABOUT SOMETHING.

Afterword

Thank you, I'm in your debt.
This is Temari Matsumoto. I have somehow managed to put out volume 6. I am thankful to the readers, everyone at the editorial department and Takabayashi-sensei for allow me to continue drawing this. From now on I will continue to work hard and draw a lot of Gunter (huh?) No, really, sorry to worry you. Best regards!

Temari Matsumoto
松本テマリ

Ever since we started this project, whenever I open the up the comics, I look for Temari-san's work. When I find it, I can't take my eyes off of Temari-san's drawings of His energetic and lively Majesty, the three manly brothers, and the refreshing second son.

Tomo Takabayashi
喬林 知

CONRAD.

I KNOW!

IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T FIGURED THIS OUT ALREADY, THE REASON YOU'RE NOT UNDERSTOOD IS--

I AM DEBATING HOW TO TAKE SOMETHING ADVANCED AND PRESENT IT FOR THE MEANEST UNDERSTANDING.

Lord Wolf-ram von Bielefeld (hobby: art)
Apparently, he was a realist in his younger days.

How long are you going to pout for?

I get the feeling that you don't like me as much.

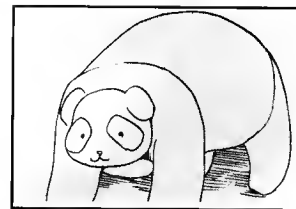
Awww...

I'm just going to finish without you!

IN THE NEXT VOLUME OF



Yuri's too young to be a dad! And his alleged illegitimate child is a whole lot more than she appears to be, that's for sure. But will Wolfram understand and let Yuri escape unscathed? All this and more in our thrilling next volume!



*Wilson
Wilson*

*&
Kickthekitty*

